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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

ELIZABETH MOELLER and NICOLE BRISSON, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Case No. 2:16-cv-11367-JEL-EAS

[Hon. Judith E. Levy]

Plaintiffs,

V.

AMERICAN MEDIA, INC., a
Delaware corporation, and ODYSSEY
MAGAZINE PUBLISHING GROUP,
INC.,

a Delaware corporation,

Defendants.

DECLARATION OF RAFEY S. BALABANIAN IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR FINAL APPROVAL OF CLASS ACTION SETTLEMENT

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I hereby declare and state as follows:

- 1. I am a citizen of the state of California, and I am over the age of eighteen years old. I make this declaration based upon personal knowledge unless otherwise indicated. If called upon to testify as to the matters stated herein, I could and would competently do so.
- 2. I make this declaration in support of Plaintiffs' Motion for Final Approval of Class Action Settlement.

3. I am the Managing Partner at the law firm of Edelson PC, the law firm that, along with co-counsel, has been retained to represent the named Plaintiffs
Elizabeth Moeller and Nicole Brisson ("Plaintiffs") in this matter.

The Litigation and Settlement History

- 4. The Parties first decided to explore the potential of an early resolution of this matter following Plaintiffs' submission of their opposition to Defendants' motion to dismiss, but before Defendants replied in support of the motion.
- 5. To facilitate settlement discussions, and at the Parties' request, the Court extended the briefing schedule on the Defendants' motion to dismiss (i.e., after Plaintiffs filed their opposition brief) so that the Parties could mediate with the Honorable Wayne R. Andersen, a well-respected retired federal judge now with JAMS. Despite a full day of mediation and a mediator's proposal, however, the Parties remained too far apart and opted to return to litigation.
- 6. After the Defendants filed their answer and the Court entered a discovery schedule, Plaintiffs propounded written discovery on the Defendants, including both interrogatories and requests for the production of documents.
- 7. Shortly thereafter, the Parties decided to re-engage Judge Andersen and re-open the possibility of settlement. Over the course of several weeks, Judge Andersen separately caucused with the Parties at least a dozen times (including on nights and weekends) and eventually made another mediator's proposal that was

accepted by all Parties on March 28, 2017.

Class Counsels' Estimate of Per-Claimant Recovery

8. Based on the current participation rate, Class Counsel believes that each claimant will receive approximately \$100 in cash as a result of the Settlement, consistent with their earlier estimates.

Factors Supporting Final Approval

- 9. Class Counsel are confident in the strength of Plaintiffs' claims and their ability to certify an adversarial class. That said, success in this case has never been a certainty.
- wind up empty-handed. While Plaintiffs defeated Defendants' two main case-dispositive arguments—lack of Article III standing and retroactivity of the PPPA—if litigation continued in this case, Plaintiffs would still face Defendants' 17 affirmative defenses as well as summary judgment issues, including whether Defendants were selling their subscriptions "at retail." While Plaintiffs believe that they would have succeeded on those issues, the Sixth Circuit in *Coulter-Owens v. Time Inc.*, 2017 WL 2731309 (6th Cir. June 26, 2017) would have made succeeding on the "at retail" issue more difficult. The Settlement in this case was reached approximately 3 months prior to the Sixth Circuit's opinion, which certainly would have altered the course of the litigation and may have even

ultimately barred recovery to members of the Settlement Class who subscribed to Defendants' publications through third parties.

- 11. The benefits of the Settlement are clear: it creates a larger settlement fund for fewer class members resulting in higher per class member recovery compared to the other three PPPA settlements that have been approved in this district.
- 12. Further, Class Counsel are confident that the relief secured here is exceptional on its own terms. In preparation for the initial mediation and further negotiations with Judge Andersen, Plaintiffs obtained informal discovery from Defendants regarding the size of the class and the nature of the disclosures. Armed with this information and the knowledge acquired from having litigated and settled other PPPA class actions, Plaintiffs and their counsel had all the information they needed to reach an informed resolution of this matter.
- 13. Class Counsel are well-respected members of the plaintiffs' bar, with significant skill and experience prosecuting class actions of similar size, scope, and complexity—particularly in the consumer privacy realm, and including in other VRPA cases.
- 14. A true and accurate copy of the Firm Resume of Edelson PC is attached hereto as Exhibit 3-A.
 - 15. A true and accurate copy of the Firm Resume of Bursor & Fisher,

P.A.is attached hereto as Exhibit 3-B.

- 16. Based on Class Counsel's experience litigating similar consumer class actions, including those alleging VRPA violations, Class Counsel is of the opinion that the Settlement is fair, reasonable, and adequate.
- 17. Class Counsel received one *pro se* objection in this matter from an individual (Ms. Peterson), who, based on our review of public records, appears to be incarcerated and serving multiple life sentences. The objection, however, only references Ms. Peterson's subscriptions to magazines that were not published by the Defendants. In any event, the objection raises three specific objections:
 - a. First, Ms. Peterson believed that the prospective relief obtained by the Settlement was of no benefit to her because she is an incarcerated individual. This is incorrect, as the Settlement—by its terms—protects Ms. Peterson's personal data (assuming she did, in fact, subscribe to Defendants' magazines) like every other class member.
 - b. Second, Ms. Peterson believed that the Settlement should have provided credit monitoring protection for victims of identity theft. On our review, her critique stems from an IRS notice (which she attached to her objection) she received after two tax returns were filed in her name in 2010. Based on Class Counsel's experience in other cases and the informal discovery reviewed in this case (i.e., with respect to Defendants' practices),

the information that the IRS explained would have been used to perpetrate the fraud—i.e., Ms. Peterson's "Social Security number (SSN) or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN)"—is not the sort of information collected and disclosed by magazine companies, including Defendants. Thus, Ms. Peterson's belief that Defendants' disclosures somehow resulted in the IRS notice she received and her resulting request for credit monitoring is mistaken.

- c. Third, Ms. Peterson appears to object to the amount individuals are anticipated to receive under the settlement. But as explained in Plaintiffs' motion for final approval, the monetary result achieved by the Settlement exceeds most privacy settlements, including those under the PPPA, whether measured on an aggregate or per-class member basis.
- approval, the Settlement reached in this case was the product of negotiations conducted at arm's-length by experienced counsel representing adversarial parties, and there is absolutely no evidence of fraud or collusion. All negotiations leading up to the Settlement were made through Judge Andersen, and the Settlement was reached only as a result of a second proposal by the mediator.

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 23rd day of August, 2017 at Chicago, Illinois.

/s/ Rafey S. Balabanian

Exhibit A

EDELSON PC FIRM RESUME

EDELSON PC is a plaintiffs' class action and commercial litigation firm with attorneys in Illinois and California.

Our attorneys have been recognized as leaders in these fields by state and federal courts, legislatures, national and international media groups, and our peers. Our reputation has led state and federal courts across the country to appoint us lead counsel in many high-profile cases, including in cutting-edge privacy class actions against comScore, Netflix, Time, Microsoft, and Facebook; Telephone Consumer Protection Act class actions against technology, media, and retail companies such as Google, Twentieth Century Fox, Simon & Schuster, and Steve Madden; data security class actions against LinkedIn, Advocate Hospitals, and AvMed; banking cases against Citibank, Wells Fargo, and JP Morgan Chase related to reductions in home equity lines of credit; fraudulent marketing cases against software companies such as Symantec, AVG and Ascentive; mobile content class actions against all major cellular telephone carriers; and product liability cases, including the Thomas the Tank Engine lead paint class actions and the tainted pet food litigation.

We have testified before the United States Senate on class action issues and have repeatedly been asked to work on federal and state legislation involving cellular telephony, privacy, and other consumer issues. Our attorneys have appeared on dozens of national and international television and radio programs, and in numerous national and international publications, discussing our cases and class action and consumer protection issues more generally. Our attorneys speak regularly at seminars on consumer protection and class action issues, and also lecture on class actions at law schools.

PLAINTIFFS' CLASS AND MASS ACTION PRACTICE GROUP

EDELSON PC is a leader in plaintiffs' class and mass action litigation, with a focus on consumer technology. Our firm is "known for securing multi-million dollar settlements against tech giants" (Chicago Daily Law Bulletin, September 2013), and has been specifically recognized as "pioneers in the electronic privacy class action field, having litigated some of the largest consumer class actions in the country on this issue." See In re Facebook Privacy Litig., No. C 10-02389 (N.D. Cal. Dec. 10, 2010) (order appointing us interim co-lead of privacy class action); see also In re Netflix Privacy Litig., No. 11-cv-00379 (N.D. Cal. Aug. 12, 2011) (appointing us sole lead counsel due, in part, to our "significant and particularly specialized expertise in electronic privacy litigation and class actions. . . . "). Law360 has called us a "Titan of the Plaintiffs Bar," a "Plaintiffs Class Action powerhouse" and a "Privacy Litigation Heavyweight." We have also been recognized by courts for our uniquely zealous and efficient approach to litigation, which led the then-Chief Judge of the United States Court for the Northern District of Illinois to praise our work as "consistent with the highest standards of the profession" and "a model of what the profession should be. . . ." In re Kentucky Fried Chicken Coupon Marketing & Sales Practices Litig., No. 09-cv-7670, MDL 2103 (N.D. Ill. Nov. 30, 2011). Likewise, in appointing our firm interim co-lead in one of the most high profile banking cases in the country, a federal court pointed to our ability to be "vigorous advocates, constructive problem-solvers, and civil with their adversaries." In Re JPMorgan Chase Home Equity Line of Credit Litig., No. 10 C 3647 (N.D. Ill. July 16, 2010). After hard fought litigation, that case

settled, resulting in the reinstatement of between \$3.2 billion and \$4.7 billion in home credit lines.

We have several sub-specialties within our plaintiffs' class action practice:

Telephone Consumer Protection Act

EDELSON PC has been at the forefront of TCPA litigation for nearly a decade, having secured the groundbreaking *Satterfield* ruling in the Ninth Circuit applying the TCPA to text messages, *Satterfield v. Simon & Schuster, Inc.*, 569 F.3d 946 (9th Cir. 2009), and the largest (up to \$76 million in total monetary relief) TCPA settlement to date. *See Birchmeier v. Caribbean Cruise Line, Inc., et al.*, No. 12-cv-4069 (N.D. Ill.). In addition to numerous settlements—collectively providing over \$200 million to consumers—we have over two dozen putative TCPA class actions pending against companies including Santander Consumer USA, Inc., GrubHub, United Student Aid Funds, NCO Financial Systems, and NRG Energy. Representative settlements and ongoing cases include:

- Birchmeier v. Caribbean Cruise Line, Inc., et al., No. 12-cv-4069 (N.D. Ill.): Co-lead counsel in class action alleging that defendant violated federal law by making unsolicited telemarketing calls. Obtained adversarial class certification of nationwide class of approximately 1 million consumers. On the eve of trial, case resulted in the largest TCPA settlement to date, totaling up to \$76 million in monetary relief.
- *Kolinek v. Walgreen Co.*, No. 13-cv-4806 (N.D. Ill.): Lead counsel in class action alleging that defendant violated federal law by making unsolicited prescription reminder calls. Won reconsideration of dismissal based upon whether provision of telephone number constituted consent to call. Case settled for \$11 million.
- Hopwood v. Nuance Communications, Inc., et al., No. 13-cv-2132 (N.D. Cal.): Lead counsel in class action alleging that defendants violated federal law by making unsolicited marketing calls to consumers nationwide. \$9.245 million settlement provided class members option to claim unprecedented relief based upon total number of calls they received. Settlement resulted in some class members receiving in excess of \$10,000 each.
- *Rojas v CEC*, No. 10-cv-05260 (N.D. III.): Lead counsel in text spam class action that settled for \$19,999,400.
- *In re Jiffy Lube Int'l Text Spam Litigation*, No. 11-md-2261, 2012 WL 762888 (S.D. Cal.): Co-lead counsel in \$35 million text spam settlement.
- *Ellison v Steve Madden, Ltd.*, No. cv 11-5935 PSG (C.D. Cal.): Lead counsel in \$10 million text spam settlement.

- *Kramer v. B2Mobile*, No. 10-cv-02722-CW (N.D. Cal.): Lead counsel in \$12.2 million text spam settlement.
- Wright, et al. v. Nationstar Mortgage, LLC, No. 14-cv-10457 (N.D. Ill.): Co-lead counsel in \$12.1 million debt collection call settlement.
- *Pimental v. Google, Inc.*, No. 11-cv-02585 (N.D. Cal.): Lead counsel in class action alleging that defendant co-opted group text messaging lists to send unsolicited text messages. \$6 million settlement provides class members with an unprecedented \$500 recovery.
- Robles v. Lucky Brand Dungarees, Inc., No. 10-cv-04846 (N.D. Cal.): Lead counsel in \$10 million text spam settlement.
- *Miller v. Red Bull*, No. 12-CV-04961 (N.D. III.): Lead counsel in \$6 million text spam settlement.
- *Woodman v. ADP Dealer Services*, No. 2013 CH 10169 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty., Ill.): Lead counsel in \$7.5 million text spam settlement.
- Lockett v. Mogreet, Inc., No 2013 CH 21352 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty., Ill.): Lead counsel in \$16 million text spam settlement.
- Lozano v. 20th Century Fox, No. 09-cv-05344 (N.D. Ill.): Lead counsel in class action alleging that defendants violated federal law by sending unsolicited text messages to cellular telephones of consumers. Case settled for \$16 million.
- Satterfield v. Simon & Schuster, No. C 06 2893 CW (N.D. Cal.): Co-lead counsel in in \$10 million text spam settlement.
- Weinstein v. Airit2me, Inc., No. 06 C 0484 (N.D. III): Co-lead counsel in \$7 million text spam settlement.

PRIVACY/DATA LOSS

Data Loss/Unauthorized Disclosure of Data

We have litigated numerous class actions involving issues of first impression against Facebook, Apple, Netflix, Sony, Gannett, Redbox, Pandora, Sears, Storm 8, Google, T-Mobile, Microsoft, and others involving failures to protect customers' private information, security breaches, and unauthorized sharing of personal information with third parties. Representative settlements and ongoing cases include:

• Dunstan v. comScore, Inc., No. 11-cv-5807 (N.D. Ill.): Lead counsel in certified class action accusing Internet analytics company of improper data

- collection practices. The court has finally approved a \$14 million settlement.
- Resnick v. Avmed, No. 10-cv-24513 (S.D. Fla.): Lead counsel in data breach case filed against health insurance company. Obtained landmark appellate decision endorsing common law unjust enrichment theory, irrespective of whether identity theft occurred. Case also resulted in the first class action settlement in the country to provide data breach victims with monetary payments irrespective of identity theft.
- *In re Netflix Privacy Litig.*, No. 11-cv-00379 (N.D. Cal.): Sole lead counsel in suit alleging that defendant violated the Video Privacy Protection Act by illegally retaining customer viewing information. Case resulted in a \$9 million dollar *cy pres* settlement that has been finally approved.
- Halaburda v. Bauer Publishing Co., No. 12-cv-12831 (E.D. Mich.); Grenke v. Hearst Communications, Inc., No. 12-cv-14221 (E.D. Mich.); Fox v. Time, Inc., No. 12-cv-14390 (E.D. Mich.): Consolidated actions brought under Michigan's Preservation of Personal Privacy Act, alleging unlawful disclosure of subscribers' personal information. In a ground-breaking decision, the court denied three motions to dismiss finding that the magazine publishers were covered by the act and that the illegal sale of personal information triggers an automatic \$5,000 award to each aggrieved consumer. In January and July of 2015, final approval was granted to a settlement reached in the Bauer Publishing matter and an adversarial class was certified in the Time case, respectively.
- Standiford v. Palm, No. 09-cv-05719-LHK (N.D. Cal.): Sole lead counsel in data loss class action, resulting in \$640,000 settlement.
- In re Zynga Privacy Litig., No. 10-cv-04680 (N.D. Cal.): Appointed colead counsel in suit against gaming application designer for the alleged unlawful disclosure of its users' personally identifiable information to advertisers and other third parties.
- *In re Facebook Privacy Litig.*, No. 10-cv-02389 (N.D. Cal.): Appointed co-lead counsel in suit alleging that Facebook unlawfully shared its users' sensitive personally identifiable information with Facebook's advertising partners.
- In re Sidekick Litig., No. C 09-04854-JW (N.D. Cal.): Co-lead counsel in cloud computing data loss case against T-Mobile and Microsoft.

 Settlement provided the class with potential settlement benefits valued at over \$12 million.

• *Desantis v. Sears*, No. 08 CH 00448 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty., Ill.): Lead counsel in injunctive settlement alleging national retailer allowed purchase information to be publicly available through the Internet.

CONSUMER TECHNOLOGY

Fraudulent Software

In addition to the settlements listed below, EDELSON PC has consumer fraud cases pending in courts nationwide against companies such as McAfee, Inc., Avanquest North America Inc., PC Cleaner, AVG, iolo Technologies, LLC, among others. Representative settlements include:

- Drymon v. Cyberdefender, No. 11 CH 16779 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty., Ill.): Lead counsel in class action alleging that defendant deceptively designed and marketed its computer repair software. Case settled for \$9.75 million.
- *Gross v. Symantec Corp.*, No. 12-cv-00154-CRB (N.D. Cal.): Lead counsel in class action alleging that defendant deceptively designed and marketed its computer repair software. Case settled for \$11 million.
- *LaGarde v. Support.com, Inc.*, No. 12-cv-00609-JSC (N.D. Cal.): Lead counsel in class action alleging that defendant deceptively designed and marketed its computer repair software. Case settled for \$8.59 million.
- Ledet v. Ascentive LLC, No. 11-CV-294-PBT (E.D. Pa.): Lead counsel in class action alleging that defendant deceptively designed and marketed its computer repair software. Case settled for \$9.6 million.
- Webb v. Cleverbridge, Inc., No. 1:11-cv-04141 (N.D. III.): Lead counsel in class action alleging that defendant deceptively designed and marketed its computer repair software. Case settled for \$5.5 million.

Video Games

EDELSON PC has litigated cases video-game related cases against Activision Blizzard Inc., Electronic Arts, Inc., Google, and Zenimax Media, Inc.

MORTGAGE & BANKING

EDELSON PC has been at the forefront of class action litigation arising in the aftermath of the federal bailouts of the banks. Our suits include claims that certain banks unlawfully suspended home credit lines based on pre-textual reasons, and that certain banks have failed to honor loan modification programs. We achieved the first federal appellate decision in the country recognizing the right of borrowers to enforce HAMP trial plans under state law. The court noted that "[p]rompt resolution of this matter is necessary not

only for the good of the litigants but for the good of the Country." *Wigod v. Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.*, 673 F.3d 547, 586 (7th Cir. 2012) (Ripple, J., concurring). Our settlements have restored billions of dollars in home credit lines to people throughout the country. Representative cases and settlements include:

- In re JP Morgan Chase Bank Home Equity Line of Credit Litig., No. 10-cv-3647 (N.D. Ill.): Court appointed interim co-lead counsel in nationwide putative class action alleging illegal suspensions of home credit lines. Settlement restored between \$3.2 billion and \$4.7 billion in credit to the class.
- Hamilton v. Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., No. 09-cv-04152-CW (N.D. Cal.): Lead counsel in class actions challenging Wells Fargo's suspensions of home equity lines of credit. Nationwide settlement restores access to over \$1 billion in credit and provides industry leading service enhancements and injunctive relief.
- In re Citibank HELOC Reduction Litig., No. 09-cv-0350-MMC (N.D. Cal.): Lead counsel in class actions challenging Citibank's suspensions of home equity lines of credit. The settlement restored up to \$653,920,000 worth of credit to affected borrowers.
- Wigod v. Wells Fargo, No. 10-cv-2348 (N.D. Ill.): In ongoing putative class action, obtained first appellate decision in the country recognizing the right of private litigants to sue to enforce HAMP trial plans.

GENERAL CONSUMER PROTECTION CLASS ACTIONS

We have successfully prosecuted countless class actions against computer software companies, technology companies, health clubs, dating agencies, phone companies, debt collectors, and other businesses on behalf of consumers. In addition to the settlements listed below, EDELSON PC have litigated consumer fraud cases in courts nationwide against companies such as Motorola Mobility, Stonebridge Benefit Services, J.C. Penney, Sempris LLC, and Plimus, LLC. Representative settlements include:

Mobile Content

We have prosecuted over 100 cases involving mobile content, settling numerous nationwide class actions, including against industry leader AT&T Mobility, collectively worth over a hundred million dollars.

• *McFerren v. AT&T Mobility, LLC*, No. 08-CV-151322 (Fulton Cnty. Super. Ct., Ga.): Lead counsel class action settlement involving 16 related cases against largest wireless service provider in the nation. "No cap" settlement provided virtually full refunds to a nationwide class of

- consumers who alleged that unauthorized charges for mobile content were placed on their cell phone bills.
- Paluzzi v. Cellco Partnership, No. 07 CH 37213 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty., Ill.): Lead counsel in class action settlement involving 27 related cases alleging unauthorized mobile content charges. Case settled for \$36 million.
- *Gray v. Mobile Messenger Americas, Inc.*, No. 08-CV-61089 (S.D. Fla.): Lead counsel in case alleging unauthorized charges were placed on cell phone bills. Case settled for \$12 million.
- Parone v. m-Qube, Inc., No. 08 CH 15834 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty., Ill.): Lead counsel in class action settlement involving over 2 dozen cases alleging the imposition of unauthorized mobile content charges. Case settled for \$12.254 million.
- Williams v. Motricity, Inc., No. 09 CH 19089 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty., Ill.): Lead counsel in class action settlement involving 24 cases alleging the imposition of unauthorized mobile content charges. Case settled for \$9 million.
- *VanDyke v. Media Breakaway, LLC*, No. 08 CV 22131 (S.D. Fla.): Lead counsel in class action settlement alleging unauthorized mobile content charges. Case settled for \$7.6 million.
- *Gresham v. Cellco Partnership*, No. BC 387729 (L.A. Super. Ct., Cal.): Lead counsel in case alleging unauthorized charges were placed on cell phone bills. Settlement provided class members with full refunds.
- *Abrams v. Facebook, Inc.*, No. 07-05378 (N.D. Cal.): Lead counsel in injunctive settlement concerning the transmission of allegedly unauthorized mobile content.

Deceptive Marketing

- *Van Tassell v. UMG*, No. 1:10-cv-2675 (N.D. Ill.): Lead counsel in negative option marketing class action. Case settled for \$2.85 million.
- *McK Sales Inc. v. Discover Bank*, No. 10-cv-02964 (N.D. Ill.): Lead counsel in class action alleging deceptive marketing aimed at small businesses. Case settled for \$6 million.
- Farrell v. OpenTable, No. 11-cv-01785 (N.D. Cal.): Lead counsel in gift certificate expiration case. Settlement netted class over \$3 million in benefits.

- Ducharme v. Lexington Law, No. 10-cv-2763 (N.D. Cal): Lead counsel in CROA class action. Settlement resulted in over \$6 million of benefits to the class.
- Pulcini v. Bally Total Fitness Corp., No. 05 CH 10649 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty., Ill.): Co-lead counsel in four class action lawsuits brought against two health clubs and three debt collection companies. A global settlement provided the class with over \$40 million in benefits, including cash payments, debt relief, and free health club services.
- Kozubik v. Capital Fitness, Inc., 04 CH 627 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty., Ill.): Colead counsel in state-wide suit against a leading health club chain, which settled in 2004, providing the over 150,000 class members with between \$11 million and \$14 million in benefits, consisting of cash refunds, full debt relief, and months of free health club membership.
- *Kim v. Riscuity*, No. 06 C 01585 (N.D. III.): Co-lead counsel in suit against a debt collection company accused of attempting to collect on illegal contracts. The case settled in 2007, providing the class with full debt relief and return of all money collected.
- Jones v. TrueLogic Financial Corp., No. 05 C 5937 (N.D. Ill.): Co-lead counsel in suit against two debt collectors accused of attempting to collect on illegal contracts. The case settled in 2007, providing the class with approximately \$2 million in debt relief.
- Fertelmeyster v. Match.com, No. 02 CH 11534 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty., Ill.): Co-lead counsel in a state-wide class action suit brought under Illinois consumer protection statutes. The settlement provided the class with a collective award with a face value in excess of \$3 million.
- Cioe v. Yahoo!, Inc., No. 02 CH 21458 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty., Ill.): Co-lead counsel in a state-wide class action suit brought under state consumer protection statutes. The settlement provided the class with a collective award with a face value between \$1.6 million and \$4.8 million.
- Zurakov v. Register.com, No. 01-600703 (N.Y. Sup. Ct., N.Y. Cnty.): Colead counsel in a class action brought on behalf of an international class of over one million members against Register.com for its allegedly deceptive practices in advertising on "coming soon" pages of newly registered Internet domain names. Settlement required Register.com to fully disclose its practices and provided the class with relief valued in excess of \$17 million.

PRODUCTS LIABILITY CLASS ACTIONS

We have been appointed lead counsel in state and federal products liability class settlements, including a \$30 million settlement resolving the "Thomas the Tank Engine" lead paint recall cases and a \$32 million settlement involving the largest pet food recall in the history of the United States and Canada. Representative settlements include:

- Barrett v. RC2 Corp., No. 07 CH 20924 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty., Ill.): Colead counsel in lead paint recall case involving Thomas the Tank toy trains. Settlement is valued at over \$30 million and provided class with full cash refunds and reimbursement of certain costs related to blood testing.
- In re Pet Food Products Liability Litig., No. 07-2867 (D.N.J.): Part of mediation team in class action involving largest pet food recall in United States history. Settlement provided \$24 million common fund and \$8 million in charge backs.

INSURANCE CLASS ACTIONS

We have prosecuted and settled multi-million dollar suits against J.C. Penney Life Insurance for allegedly illegally denying life insurance benefits under an unenforceable policy exclusion and against a Wisconsin insurance company for terminating the health insurance policies of groups of self-insureds. Representative settlements include:

- *Holloway v. J.C. Penney*, No. 97 C 4555 (N.D. Ill.): One of the primary attorneys in a multi-state class action suit alleging that the defendant illegally denied life insurance benefits to the class. The case settled in or around December 2000, resulting in a multi-million dollar cash award to the class.
- Ramlow v. Family Health Plan (Wisc. Cir. Ct., WI): Co-lead counsel in a class action suit challenging defendant's termination of health insurance to groups of self-insureds. The plaintiff won a temporary injunction, which was sustained on appeal, prohibiting such termination and eventually settled the case ensuring that each class member would remain insured.

MASS/CLASS TORT CASES

Our attorneys are representing classes of student athletes suffering from the long-term effects of concussive and sub-concussive injuries, and were a part of a team of lawyers representing a group of public housing residents in a suit based upon contamination related injuries, a group of employees exposed to second-hand smoke on a riverboat casino, and a class of individuals suing a hospital and national association of blood banks for failure to warn of risks related to blood transfusions. Representative cases and settlements include:

- In re: National Collegiate Athletic Association Student-Athlete Concussion Injury Litigation, Nos. 13-cv-9116, 16-cv-8727, MDL No. 2492 (N.D. Ill.): Represented lead objector in original MDL proceedings, resulting in the preservation of class members' right to file class personal injury actions and alteration of class settlement from a claims-made deal worth several hundred thousand to a non-reversionary fund worth \$70 million. Presently representing classes of injured NCAA student athletes in newly-created personal injury MDL track.
- *Aaron v. Chicago Housing Authority*, No. 99 L 11738 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty., Ill.): Part of team representing a group of public housing residents bringing suit over contamination-related injuries. Case settled on a mass basis for over \$10 million.
- Januszewski v. Horseshoe Hammond, No. 2:00CV352JM (N.D. Ind.): Part
 of team of attorneys in mass suit alleging that defendant riverboat casino
 caused injuries to its employees arising from exposure to second-hand
 smoke.

The firm's cases regularly receive attention from local, national, and international media. Our cases and attorneys have been reported in the Chicago Tribune, USA Today, the Wall Street Journal, the New York Times, the LA Times, by the Reuters and UPI news services, and BBC International. Our attorneys have appeared on numerous national television and radio programs, including ABC World News, CNN, Fox News, NPR, and CBS Radio, as well as television and radio programs outside of the United States. We have also been called upon to give congressional testimony and other assistance in hearings involving our cases.

GENERAL COMMERCIAL LITIGATION

Our attorneys have handled a wide range of general commercial litigation matters, from partnership and business-to-business disputes to litigation involving corporate takeovers. We have handled cases involving tens of thousands of dollars to "bet the company" cases involving up to hundreds of millions of dollars. Our attorneys have collectively tried hundreds of cases, as well as scores of arbitrations and mediations.

OUR ATTORNEYS

JAY EDELSON is the founder and CEO of EDELSON PC. He has been recognized as one of the nation's leading class action lawyers, especially in the areas of privacy, technology, and consumer advocacy. His notable cases include ones involving the national banks' suspensions of home equity lines of credit in the aftermath of the housing collapse, which resulted in the restoration of billions of dollars of consumer credit lines. He has developed much of the positive law under the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, especially in the area of text message spam, resulting in settlements collectively worth over a hundred millions of dollars and earning him the moniker, "the Spam Slammer." Jay has been recognized as a "pioneer" in the emerging field of electronic privacy, having established key precedent in cases throughout the country and

reaching some of the most important settlements in this space. Based primarily on his success in bringing consumer technology class actions, the national press has dubbed Jay and his firm the "most feared" litigators in Silicon Valley and, according to the New York Times, tech's "babyfaced ... boogeyman." The international press has called Jay one of the world's "profiliertesten (most prominent)" privacy class action attorneys.

In addition to complex defense-side litigation, which he handles only in select cases, Jay also offers strategic support to start-ups, including several that have become national brands.

Jay is a frequent speaker and writer on class action issues, the practice of law more generally, and training and law firm management — the latter earning him recognition by the ABA as one of "the most creative minds in the legal industry". He is an adjunct professor at Chicago-Kent School of Law, where he has taught seminars on class actions and negotiation. He has written a blog for Thomson Reuters, called Pardon the Disruption, where he focused on ideas necessary to reform and reinvent the legal industry.

RYAN D. ANDREWS is a Partner at EDELSON PC. He presently leads the firm's complex case resolution and appellate practice group, which oversees the firm's class settlements, class notice programs, and briefing on issues of first impression.

Ryan has been appointed class counsel in numerous federal and state class actions nationwide that have resulted in over \$100 million dollars in refunds to consumers, including: *Satterfield v. Simon & Schuster*, No. C 06 2893 CW (N.D. Cal.): *Ellison v Steve Madden, Ltd.*, No. cv 11-5935 PSG (C.D. Cal.); *Robles v. Lucky Brand Dungarees, Inc.*, No. 10-cv-04846 (N.D. Cal.); *Lozano v. 20th Century Fox*, No. 09-cv-05344 (N.D. Ill.): *Paluzzi v. Cellco Partnership*, No. 07 CH 37213 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty., Ill.); and *Lofton v. Bank of America Corp.*, No. 07-5892 (N.D. Cal.).

Representative reported decisions include: Lozano v. Twentieth Century Fox, 702 F. Supp. 2d 999 (N.D. Ill. 2010), Satterfield v. Simon & Schuster, Inc. 569 F.3d 946 (9th Cir. 2009), Kramer v. Autobytel, Inc., 759 F. Supp. 2d 1165 (N.D. Cal. 2010); In re Jiffy Lube Int'l Text Spam Litig., 847 F. Supp. 2d 1253 (S.D. Cal. 2012); Lee v. Stonebridge Life Ins. Co., 289 F.R.D. 292 (N.D. Cal. 2013); and Kristensen v. Credit Payment Servs., 12 F. Supp. 3d 1292 (D. Nev. Mar. 26, 2014).

Ryan graduated from the University of Michigan, earning his B.A., with distinction, in Political Science and Communications. Ryan received his J.D. with High Honors from the Chicago-Kent College of Law and was named Order of the Coif. Ryan has served as an Adjunct Professor of Law at Chicago-Kent, teaching a third-year seminar on class actions. While in law school, Ryan was a Notes & Comments Editor for The Chicago-Kent Law Review, earned CALI awards for the highest grade in five classes, and was a teaching assistant for both Property Law and Legal Writing courses. Ryan externed for the Honorable Joan B. Gottschall in the United State District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.

Ryan is licensed to practice in Illinois state courts, the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, and the U.S.

Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.

RAFEY S. BALABANIAN is the Managing Partner of EDELSON PC. Rafey's practice focuses upon a wide range of complex consumer class action litigation, as well as general business litigation. In the class action context, Rafey has extensive experience both prosecuting and defending class actions.

On the plaintiff's side, Rafey has been appointed lead counsel in numerous class actions, and has achieved landmark settlements involving the telecom industry worth hundreds of millions of dollars, including nationwide settlements in the cases *Pimental, et al. v. Google, Inc.*, No. 11-cv-2585 (N.D. Cal.); *Van Dyke v. Media Breakaway, LLC*, No. 08-cv-22131 (S.D. Fla.); *Williams v. Motricity, Inc., et al.*, No. 09 CH 19089 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty., Ill.); and *Walker v. OpenMarket, Inc., et al.*, No. 08 CH 40592 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty., Ill.).

Rafey's plaintiff's class action practice also focuses on consumer privacy issues and some of his most notable accomplishments include nationwide settlements reached with companies such as Netflix (*In re Netflix Privacy Litig.*, No. 11-cv-379 (N.D. Cal.)) and RockYou (*Claridge v. RockYou, Inc.*, No. 09-cv-6030 (N.D. Cal.)). Rafey also led the effort to secure adversarial class certification of what is believed to be the largest privacy class action in the history of U.S. jurisprudence in the case of *Dunstan, et al. v. comScore, Inc.*, No. 11-cv-5807 (N.D. Ill.).

On the business side, Rafey has counseled clients ranging from "emerging technology" companies, real estate developers, hotels, insurance companies, lenders, shareholders and attorneys. He has successfully litigated numerous multi-million dollar cases, including several "bet the company" cases. And, with respect to the defense of class action, Rafey's practice focuses mainly on the defense of corporate clients facing wage and hour lawsuits brought under the Fair Labor Standards Act.

Rafey received his J.D. from the DePaul University College of Law in 2005. While in law school, he received a certificate in international and comparative law. A native of Colorado, Rafey received his B.A. in History, with distinction, from the University of Colorado – Boulder in 2002.

CHRISTOPHER L. DORE is a Partner at EDELSON PC where he focuses his practice on emerging consumer technology issues, with his cases relating to online fraud, deceptive marketing, consumer privacy, negative option membership enrollment, and unsolicited text messaging. Chris is also a member of the firm's Incubation and Startup Development Group wherein he consults with emergent businesses.

Chris has been appointed class counsel in multiple class actions, including one of the largest text-spam settlements under the Telephone Consumer Protection Act, groundbreaking issues in the mobile phone industry and fraudulent marketing, as well as consumer privacy. *See Kramer v. Autobytel, Inc.*, No. 10-cv-02722-CW (N.D. Cal.); *Turner v. Storm8, LLC*, No. 09-cv-05234 (N.D. Cal.); *Standiford v Palm, Inc.*, No. 09-cv-05719-LHK (N.D. Cal.); and *Espinal v. Burger King Corp.*, No. 09-cv-20982 (S.D. Fla.). In addition, Chris has achieved groundbreaking court decisions protecting consumer rights. Representative reported decisions include: *Claridge v.*

RockYou, Inc., 785 F. Supp. 2d 855 (N.D. Cal. 2011); Kramer v. Autobytel, Inc., 759 F. Supp. 2d 1165 (N.D. Cal. 2010); and Van Tassell v. United Marketing Group, LLC, 795 F. Supp. 2d 770 (N.D. Ill. 2011). In total, his suits have resulted in hundreds of millions of dollars to consumers.

Outside of consumer class actions, Chris actively advises technology related startups, including providing compliance and marketing guidance, as well as hands-on concept and business development.

Prior to joining EDELSON PC, Chris worked for two large defense firms in the areas of employment and products liability. Chris graduated *magna cum laude* from The John Marshall Law School, where he served as the Executive Lead Articles for the Law Review, as well as a team member for the D.M. Harish International Moot Court Competition in Mumbai, India. Chris has since returned to his alma mater to lecture on current issues in class action litigation and negations.

Before entering law school, Chris received his Masters degree in Legal Sociology, graduating *magna cum laude* from the International Institute for the Sociology of Law, located in Onati, Spain. Chris received his B.A. in Legal Sociology from the University of California, Santa Barbara.

ROGER PERLSTADT is a Partner at EDELSON PC, where he concentrates on appellate and complex litigation advocacy. He has briefed and argued appeals and motions in both federal and state appellate courts.

Prior to joining EDELSON PC, Roger was a law clerk to United States District Court Judge Elaine E. Bucklo, an associate at a litigation boutique in Chicago, and a Visiting Assistant Professor at the University of Florida Levin College of Law. He has published articles on the Federal Arbitration Act in various law reviews.

Roger has been named a Rising Star by Illinois Super Lawyer Magazine four times since 2010.

Roger graduated from the University of Chicago Law School, where he was a member of the University of Chicago Law Review. After law school, he served as a clerk to the Honorable Elaine E. Bucklo of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois.

EVE-LYNN J. RAPP is a Partner at EDELSON PC, where she focuses her practice on consumer technology class actions, with a particular emphasis on cell phone telephony and Telephone Consumer Protection Act ("TCPA") cases and "negative option" enrollment consumer fraud cases. She also regularly handles plaintiff's side employment class actions, including federal Fair Labor Stands Act cases and their state law counterparts. Eve is the hiring partner for the firm's Chicago office.

Eve has helped lead approximately 20 TCPA class actions, including Birchmeier v. Caribbean Cruise Line, Inc. et al., No. 12-cv-04069 (N.D. Ill.), where she secured the largest adversarial TCPA class in this nation's history. She is also lead counsel in one of the few "Do Not Call" TCPA cases to settle, resulting in a multi-million dollar settlement and affording class members

with as much as \$5,000 individually. Eve has also prosecuted TCPA cases on an individual basis in arbitrations, winning six-figure settlements.

She has led over a half-dozen consumer fraud and "negative option" enrollment cases, against a variety of industries, including e-cigarette sellers, the on-line gaming companies, and electronic and sport products distributors.

Eve is also leading a series of employment class actions involving the cell tower industry, securing a six-figure settlement for the named plaintiff.

In a nationally publicized products liability case, Eve help secure a reversal from the United States Supreme Court, paving the way for hundreds of thousands of people to litigate their claims of deceptive marketing.

In 2015, Eve was selected as an Illinois Emerging Lawyer by Leading Lawyers.

Eve received her J.D. from Loyola University of Chicago-School of Law, graduating cum laude, with a Certificate in Trial Advocacy. During law school, she was an Associate Editor of Loyola's International Law Review and externed as a "711" at both the Cook County State's Attorney's Office and for Cook County Commissioner Larry Suffredin. Eve also clerked for both civil and criminal judges (The Honorable Judge Yvonne Lewis and Plummer Lott) in the Supreme Court of New York. Eve graduated from the University of Colorado, Boulder, with distinction and Phi Beta Kappa honors, receiving a B.A. in Political Science.

Eve is actively involved with the Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, Inc.'s Settlement Assistance Project where she represents a number of pro bono clients for settlement purposes.

BENJAMIN H. RICHMAN is the Managing Partner of the Chicago Office of EDELSON PC. He handles plaintiffs'-side consumer class actions, focusing mainly on technology-related cases, represents corporate defendants in class actions, and handles general commercial litigation matters.

On the plaintiff's side, Ben has brought industry-changing lawsuits involving the marketing practices of the mobile industry, print and online direct advertisers, and Internet companies. He has successfully prosecuted cases involving privacy claims and the negligent storage of consumer data. His suits have also uncovered complex fraudulent methodologies of Web 2.0 companies, including the use of automated bots to distort the value of consumer goods and services. In total, his suits have resulted in hundreds of millions of dollars to consumers.

On the defense side, Ben has represented large institutional lenders in the defense of employment class actions. He also routinely represents technology companies in a wide variety of both class action defense and general commercial litigation matters.

Ben received his J.D. from The John Marshall Law School, where he was an Executive Editor of the Law Review and earned a Certificate in Trial Advocacy. While in law school, Ben served as

a judicial extern to the Honorable John W. Darrah of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois, in addition to acting as a teaching assistant for Prof. Rogelio Lasso in several torts courses. Ben has since returned to the classroom as a guest-lecturer on issues related to class actions, complex litigation and negotiation. He also lectures incoming law students on the core first year curriculums. Before entering law school, Ben graduated from Colorado State University with a B.S. in Psychology.

Ben is also the director of EDELSON PC'S Summer Associate Program.

ARI J. SCHARG is a Partner at EDELSON PC and leads the firm's Privacy and Data Security Litigation Group. He handles technology-related class actions, focusing mainly on cases involving privacy and data security issues, including the illegal collection, storage, and disclosure of personal information and text message spam. Ari has been appointed class counsel by state and federal courts in several nationwide class actions, including Fox v. Time, Inc., No. 12-cv-14390 (E.D. Mich. July 27, 2015); Halaburda v. Bauer Publishing Co., No. 12-cv-12831 (E.D. Mich.); Resnick v. Avmed, No. 10-cv-24513 (S.D. Fla.); In re: LinkedIn User Privacy Litigation, No. 5:12-cv-03088 (N.D. Cal.); Coffman v. Glide Talk, Ltd., No. 14 CH 08513 (Cir. Ct. Cook Cnty, Ill.); Webb v. Cleverbridge, et al., No. 11-cv-4141 (N.D. Ill.); Ledet v. Ascentive, No. 11-cv-294 (E.D. Penn.); and Grant v. Commonwealth Edison Company, No. 13-cv-8310 (N.D. Ill.), and was appointed sole-lead class counsel in Loewy v. Live Nation, No. 11-cv-4872 (N.D. Ill.), where the court praised his work as "impressive" and noted that he "understand[s] what it means to be on a team that's working toward justice." Ari was selected as an Illinois Rising Star (2013, 2014, 2015) by Super Lawyers.

Prior to joining EDELSON PC, Ari worked as a litigation associate at a large Chicago firm, where he represented a wide range of clients including Fortune 500 companies and local municipalities. His work included representing the Cook County Sheriff's Office in several civil rights cases and he was part of the litigation team that forced Craigslist to remove its "Adult Services" section from its website.

Ari received his B.A. in Sociology from the University of Michigan – Ann Arbor and graduated magna cum laude from The John Marshall Law School where he served as a Staff Editor for The John Marshall Law Review and competed nationally in trial competitions. During law school, he also served as a judicial extern to The Honorable Bruce W. Black of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois.

NINA EISENBERG is an Associate at EDELSON PC where her practice focuses on privacy-related class actions. Nina graduated *cum laude* with degrees in Politics, Philosophy & Economics and Russian Literature from Pomona College and received my J.D., Order of the Coif, from the University of Virginia School of Law. During law school, Ms. Eisenberg interned for Judge Charles Breyer of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California, working primarily on habeas petitions. Ms. Eisenberg also served as a Dillard Writing Fellow, instructing first year law students in legal research and writing skills.

LILY HOUGH is an Associate at EDELSON PC where her practice focuses on consumer privacy-related class actions.

Lily received her J.D., *cum laude*, from Georgetown University Law Center. In law school, Lily served as a Law Fellow for Georgetown's first year Legal Research and Writing Program and as the Executive Editor of the Georgetown Immigration Law Journal. She participated in D.C. Law Students In Court, one of the oldest clinical programs in the District of Columbia, where she represented tenants in Landlord & Tenant Court and plaintiff consumers in civil matters in D.C. Superior Court. She also worked as an intern at the U.S. Department of State in the Office of the Legal Adviser, International Claims and Investment Disputes (L/CID).

Prior to law school, Lily attended the University of Notre Dame, where she graduated *magna cum laude* with departmental honors and earned her B.A. in Political Science and was awarded a James F. Andrews Scholarship for commitment to social concerns. She is also a member of the Pi Sigma Alpha and Phi Beta Kappa honor societies.

SYDNEY JANZEN is an Associate at EDELSON PC where her practice focuses on consumer privacy-related class actions.

Sydney received her J.D., *cum laude*, from The John Marshall Law School. While in law school, she was Executive Justice of the Moot Court Honor Society, a staff editor of The John Marshall Law Review, and a teaching assistant for Contracts and Legal Writing and Civil Procedure. Sydney represented John Marshall at the Pepperdine National Entertainment Law Competition where she was a quarter-finalist and won Best Petitioner's Brief. Sydney was a 2016 Member of the National Order of Scribes.

Prior to attending law school, Sydney attended DePaul University where she graduated, *summa cum laude*, with a B.A. in English and French.

J. AARON LAWSON is an Associate at EDELSON PC where his practice focuses on appeals and complex motion practice.

Prior to joining EDELSON PC, Aaron served for two years as a Staff Attorney for the United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, handling appeals involving a wide variety of subject matter, including consumer-protection law, employment law, criminal law, and federal habeas corpus. While at the University of Michigan Law School, Aaron served as the Managing Editor for the Michigan Journal of Race & Law, and participated in the Federal Appellate Clinic. In the clinic, Aaron briefed a direct criminal appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, and successfully convinced the court to vacate his client's sentence.

DAVID I. MINDELL is an Associate at EDELSON PC where he helps direct a team of attorneys and engineers in investigating and litigating cases involving complex tech fraud and privacy violations. His team's research has led to lawsuits involving the fraudulent development, marketing, and sale of computer software, unlawful tracking of consumers through mobile-devices and computers, unlawful collection, storage, and dissemination of consumer data,

mobile-device privacy violations, large-scale data breaches, and the Bitcoin industry. On the other side, David also serves as a consultant to a variety of emerging technology companies.

Prior to joining EDELSON PC, David co-founded several tech, real estate, and hospitality related ventures, including a tech startup that was acquired by a well-known international corporation within its first three years. David has advised tech companies on a variety of legal and strategic business-related issues, including how to handle and protect consumer data. He has also consulted with startups on the formation of business plans, product development, and launch.

While in law school, David was a research assistant for University of Chicago Law School Kauffman and Bigelow Fellow, Matthew Tokson, and for the preeminent cyber-security professor, Hank Perritt at the Chicago-Kent College of Law. David's research included cyberattack and denial of service vulnerabilities of the Internet, intellectual property rights, and privacy issues.

David has spoken to a wide range of audiences about his investigations and practice.

AMIR MISSAGHI is an Associate at EDELSON PC where he focuses on technology and privacy class actions.

Amir received his J.D. from the Chicago-Kent College of Law, where he was a member of the Moot Court Honor Society and a teaching assistant in Property. Before law school, he attended the University of Minnesota, where he received his B.S. and M.S. in Applied Economics. He then began working at a Fortune 50 company as a programmer and data analyst. During that time Amir started working on his graduate studies in Applied Economics where he focused on analyzing consumer choice in healthcare markets.

BEN THOMASSEN is an Associate at EDELSON PC where he focuses on consumer litigation, with an emphasis on privacy and data breach class actions.

Ben's work at the firm has achieved significant results for classes of consumers. He has been appointed as class counsel in several high profile cases, including, for example, *Harris v. comScore, Inc.*, No. 11-cv-5807 (N.D. Ill.) (appointed class counsel in case against data analytics company, which is estimated to be the largest privacy class action certified on adversarial basis and resulted in \$14MM settlement). Ben has also played critical and leading roles in developing, briefing, and arguing novel legal theories on behalf of his clients, including by delivering the winning oral argument to the Eleventh Circuit in the seminal case of *Resnick, et al. v. AvMed, Inc.*, No. 10-cv-24513 (S.D. Fla.) (appointed class counsel in industry-changing data breach case, which obtained a landmark appellate decision endorsing common law unjust enrichment theory, irrespective of whether identity theft occurred) and recently obtaining certification of a class of magazine subscribers in *Coulter-Owens v. Time, Inc.*, No. 12-cv-14390 (E.D. Mich.) (achieved adversarial certification in privacy case brought by class of magazine subscribers against magazine publisher under Michigan's Preservation of Personal Privacy Act). His cases have resulted in millions of dollars to consumers.

Ben graduated *magna cum laude* from Chicago-Kent College of Law, where he also earned a certificate in Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution and was named Order of the Coif. He also served as Vice President of Chicago-Kent's Moot Court Honor Society and earned (a currently unbroken firm record of) seven CALI awards for receiving the highest grade in Appellate Advocacy, Business Organizations, Conflict of Laws, Family Law, Personal Income Tax, Property, and Torts. In 2017, Ben was selected as an Illinois Emerging Lawyer by Leading Lawyers.

Before settling into his legal career, Ben worked in and around the Chicago and Washington, D.C. areas in a number of capacities, including stints as a website designer/developer, a regular contributor to a monthly Capitol Hill newspaper, and a film projectionist and media technician (with many years experience) for commercial theatres, museums, and educational institutions. Ben received a Master of Arts degree from the University of Chicago and his Bachelor of Arts degree, *summa cum laude*, from St. Mary's College of Maryland.

ALEXANDER G. TIEVSKY is an Associate at EDELSON PC, where he concentrates on complex motion practice and appeals in consumer class action litigation.

He received his J.D. from the Northwestern University School of Law, where he graduated from the two-year accelerated J.D. program. While in law school, Alex was Media Editor of the Northwestern University Law Review. He also worked as a member of the Bluhm Legal Clinic's Center on Wrongful Convictions. Alex maintains a relationship with the Center and focuses his public service work on seeking to overturn unjust criminal convictions in Cook County.

Alex's past experiences include developing internal tools for an enterprise software company and working as a full-time cheesemonger. He received his A.B. in linguistics with general honors from the College of the University of Chicago.

JACOB WRIGHT is an Associate at EDELSON PC where his practice focuses on consumer and privacy-related class actions.

Jacob graduated with honors from the University of Texas at Austin with a degree in Government and Middle Eastern Studies. He received his J.D. *cum laude* from American University College of Law.

Jacob is a Member of the Equality Illinois Political Action Committee as well as a Next Generation Board Member of La Casa Norte.

SHAWN DAVIS is the Director of Digital Forensics at EDELSON PC, where he leads a technical team in investigating claims involving privacy violations and tech-related abuse. His team's investigations have included claims arising out of the fraudulent development, marketing, and sale of computer software, unlawful tracking of consumers through digital devices, unlawful collection, storage, and dissemination of consumer data, large-scale data breaches, receipt of unsolicited communications, and other deceptive marketing practices.

Prior to joining EDELSON PC, Shawn worked for Motorola Solutions in the Security and Federal Operations Centers as an Information Protection Specialist. Shawn's responsibilities included

network and computer forensic analysis, malware analysis, threat mitigation, and incident handling for various commercial and government entities.

Shawn is an Adjunct Industry Associate Professor for the School of Applied Technology at the Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT) where he has been teaching since December of 2013. Additionally, Shawn is a faculty member of the IIT Center for Cyber Security and Forensics Education which is a collaborative space between business, government, academia, and security professionals. Shawn's contributions aided in IIT's designation as a National Center of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance by the National Security Agency.

Shawn graduated with high honors from the Illinois Institute of Technology with a Masters of Information Technology Management with a specialization in Computer and Network Security. During graduate school, Shawn was inducted into Gamma Nu Eta, the National Information Technology Honor Society.

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FIRM RESUME

With offices in New York and California, BURSOR & FISHER lawyers have represented both plaintiffs and defendants in state and federal courts throughout the country.

The lawyers at our firm have an active civil trial practice, having won multi-million dollar verdicts or recoveries in five of five civil jury trials since 2008. Our most recent trial victory came in August 2013 in *Ayyad v. Sprint Spectrum L.P.*, in which Mr. Bursor served as lead trial counsel and won a jury verdict defeating Sprint's \$1.06 billion counterclaim and securing the class's recovery of more than \$275 million in cash and debt relief.

In *Thomas v. Global Vision Products, Inc. (II)*, we obtained a \$50 million jury verdict in favor of a certified class of 150,000 purchasers of the Avacor Hair Regrowth System. The legal trade publication VerdictSearch reported that this was the second largest jury verdict in California in 2009, and the largest in any class action.

The lawyers at our firm have an active class action practice and have won numerous appointments as class counsel to represent millions of class members, including customers of Verizon Wireless, AT&T Wireless, Cingular Wireless, Sprint, T-Mobile, General Electric, Haier America, and Michaels Stores as well as purchasers of AvacorTM, XenadrineTM, and SensaTM products. Since 2014, our lawyers have certified five consumer classes pursuant to contested class certification motions (*see Ebin, Forcellati, In re EZ Seed Litig., Dei Rossi, Melgar infra*). Since December 2010, Bursor & Fisher lawyers have been court-appointed Class Counsel or Interim Class Counsel in:

- i. O'Brien v. LG Electronics USA, Inc. (D.N.J. Dec. 16, 2010) to represent a certified nationwide class of purchasers of LG French-door refrigerators,
- ii. Ramundo v. Michaels Stores, Inc. (N.D. Ill. June 8, 2011) to represent a certified nationwide class of consumers who made in-store purchases at Michaels Stores using a debit or credit card and had their private financial information stolen as a result,
- iii. In re Haier Freezer Consumer Litig. (N.D. Cal. Aug. 17, 2011) to represent a certified class of purchasers of mislabeled freezers from Haier America Trading, LLC,
- iv. *Loreto v. Coast Cutlery Co.* (D.N.J. Sep. 8, 2011) to represent a certified nationwide class of purchasers of knives or tools made by Coast Cutlery,
- v. *Rodriguez v. CitiMortgage, Inc.* (S.D.N.Y. Nov. 14, 2011) to represent a certified nationwide class of military personnel against CitiMortgage for illegal foreclosures,

- vi. Avram v. Samsung Electronics America, Inc., et al. (D.N.J. Jan. 3, 2012), to represent a proposed nationwide class of purchasers of mislabeled refrigerators from Samsung Electronics America, Inc. and Lowe's Companies, Inc.,
- vii. Rossi v. The Procter & Gamble Co. (D.N.J. Jan. 31, 2012), to represent a certified nationwide class of purchasers of Crest Sensitivity Treatment & Protection toothpaste,
- viii. *Dzielak v. Whirlpool Corp. et al.* (D.N.J. Feb. 21, 2012), to represent a proposed nationwide class of purchasers of mislabeled Maytag Centennial washing machines from Whirlpool Corp., Sears, and other retailers,
- ix. *In re Sensa Weight Loss Litig.* (N.D. Cal. Mar. 2, 2012), to represent a certified nationwide class of purchasers of Sensa weight loss products,
- x. *In re Sinus Buster Products Consumer Litig.* (E.D.N.Y. Dec. 17, 2012) to represent a certified nationwide class of purchasers of Sinus Buster products,
- xi. Scott v. JPMorgan Chase & Co., et al. (S.D.N.Y. May 30, 2013) to represent a proposed nationwide class of Chase customers who were allegedly unilaterally enrolled into Chase's Overdraft Protection service and charged unauthorized fees,
- xii. *Podobedov v. Living Essentials, LLC* (C.D. Cal. Nov. 8, 2013) to represent a proposed nationwide class of purchasers of 5-hour Energy products,
- xiii. Ebin v. Kangadis Food Inc. (S.D.N.Y. Feb. 25, 2014) to represent a certified nationwide class of purchasers of Capatriti 100% Pure Olive Oil,
- xiv. Forcellati v. Hyland's, Inc. (C.D. Cal. Apr. 9, 2014) to represent a certified nationwide class of purchasers of children's homeopathic cold and flu remedies,
- xv. Ebin v. Kangadis Family Management LLC, et al. (S.D.N.Y. Sept. 18, 2014) to represent a certified nationwide class of purchasers of Capatriti 100% Pure Olive Oil,
- xvi. *In re Scotts EZ Seed Litig.* (S.D.N.Y. Jan. 26, 2015), to represent a certified class of purchasers of Scotts Turf Builder EZ Seed,
- xvii. *Dei Rossi v. Whirlpool Corp.*, *et al.* (E.D. Cal. Apr. 28, 2015), to represent a certified class of purchasers of mislabeled KitchenAid refrigerators from Whirlpool Corp., Best Buy, and other retailers,
- xviii. *Hendricks v. StarKist Co.* (N.D. Cal. July 23, 2015) to represent a certified nationwide class of purchasers of StarKist tuna products,
- xix. *In re NVIDIA GTX 970 Graphics Card Litig.* (N.D. Cal. May 8, 2015), to represent a proposed nationwide class of purchasers of NVIDIA GTX 970 graphics cards, and
- xx. *Melgar v. Zicam LLC, et al.* (E.D. Cal. March 30, 2016) to represent a certified ten-jurisdiction class of purchasers of Zicam Pre-Cold products.
- xxi. *In re Trader Joe's Tuna Litigation* (C.D. Cal. December 21, 2016), to represent a nationwide class of purchasers of Trader Joe's tuna products.
- xxii. *In re Welspun Litigation* (S.D.N.Y. January 26, 2017), to represent a proposed nationwide class of purchasers of Welspun Egyptian cotton bedding products.

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Mr. Bursor has an active civil trial practice, having won multi-million verdicts or recoveries in five of five civil jury trials since 2008. Mr. Bursor's most recent victory came in August 2013 in *Ayyad v. Sprint Spectrum L.P.*, in which he served as lead trial counsel and won a jury verdict defeating Sprint's \$1.06 billion counterclaim and securing the class's recovery of more than \$275 million in cash and debt relief.

In *Thomas v. Global Vision Products, Inc.* (2009), the jury returned a \$50 million verdict in favor of the plaintiff and class represented by Mr. Bursor. The legal trade publication VerdictSearch reported that this was the second largest jury verdict in California in 2009.

Class actions are rarely tried to verdict. Other than Mr. Bursor and his partner Mr. Fisher, we know of no lawyer that has tried more than one class action to a jury. Mr. Bursor's perfect record of five wins in five class action jury trials, with recoveries ranging from \$21 million to \$299 million, is unmatched by any other lawyer. Each of these victories was hard-fought against top trial lawyers from the biggest law firms in the United States.

Mr. Bursor graduated from the University of Texas Law School in 1996. He served as Articles Editor of the Texas Law Review, and was a member of the Board of Advocates and Order of the Coif. Prior to starting his own practice, Mr. Bursor was a litigation associate with Cravath, Swaine & Moore (1996-2000) and Chadbourne & Parke LLP (2001), where he represented large telecommunications, pharmaceutical, and technology companies in commercial litigation.

Mr. Bursor is a member of the state bars of New York, Florida, and California, as well as the bars of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, United States District Courts for the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, United States District Courts for the Northern, Central, Southern and Eastern Districts of California, the United States District Courts for the Southern and Middle Districts of Florida, and the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan.

Representative Cases

Mr. Bursor was appointed lead or co-lead class counsel to the largest, 2nd largest, and 3rd largest classes ever certified. Mr. Bursor has represented classes including more than 160 million class members, roughly 1 of every 2 Americans. Listed below are recent cases that are representative of Mr. Bursor's practice:

Mr. Bursor negotiated and obtained court-approval for two landmark settlements in *Nguyen v. Verizon Wireless* and *Zill v. Sprint Spectrum* (the largest and 2nd largest classes ever certified). These settlements required Verizon and Sprint to open their wireless networks to third-party devices and applications. These settlements are believed to be the most significant

legal development affecting the telecommunications industry since 1968, when the FCC's Carterfone decision similarly opened up AT&T's wireline telephone network.

Mr. Bursor was the lead trial lawyer in *Ayyad v. Sprint Spectrum, L.P.* representing a class of approximately 2 million California consumers who were charged an early termination fee under a Sprint cellphone contract, asserting claims that such fees were unlawful liquidated damages under the California Civil Code, as well as other statutory and common law claims. After a five-week combined bench-and-jury trial, the jury returned a verdict in June 2008 and the Court issued a Statement of Decision in December 2008 awarding the plaintiffs \$299 million in cash and debt cancellation. Mr. Bursor served as lead trial counsel for this class again in 2013 during a month-long jury trial in which Sprint asserted a \$1.06 billion counterclaim against the class. Mr. Bursor secured a verdict awarding Sprint only \$18.4 million, the exact amount calculated by the class's damages expert. This award was less than 2% of the damages Sprint sought, less than 6% of the amount of the illegal termination fees Sprint charged to class members, and ensured that the class would recover in excess of \$275 million.

Mr. Bursor was the lead trial lawyer in *White v. Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless* representing a class of approximately 1.4 million California consumers who were charged an early termination fee under a Verizon cellphone contract, asserting claims that such fees were unlawful liquidated damages under the California Civil Code, as well as other statutory and common law claims. In July 2008, after Mr. Bursor presented plaintiffs' case-in-chief, rested, then cross-examined Verizon's principal trial witness, Verizon agreed to settle the case for a \$21 million cash payment and an injunction restricting Verizon's ability to impose early termination fees in future subscriber agreements.

Mr. Bursor was the lead trial lawyer in *Thomas v. Global Visions Products Inc.* Mr. Bursor represented a class of approximately 150,000 California consumers who had purchased the Avacor® hair regrowth system. In January 2008, after a four-week combined bench-and-jury trial. Mr. Bursor obtained a \$37 million verdict for the class, which the Court later increased to \$40 million.

Mr. Bursor was appointed class counsel and was elected chair of the Official Creditors' Committee in *In re Nutraquest Inc.*, a Chapter 11 bankruptcy case before Chief Judge Garrett E. Brown, Jr. (D.N.J.) involving 390 ephedra-related personal injury and/or wrongful death claims, two consumer class actions, four enforcement actions by governmental agencies, and multiple adversary proceedings related to the Chapter 11 case. Working closely with counsel for all parties and with two mediators, Judge Nicholas Politan (Ret.) and Judge Marina Corodemus (Ret.), the committee chaired by Mr. Bursor was able to settle or otherwise resolve every claim and reach a fully consensual Chapter 11 plan of reorganization, which Chief Judge Brown approved in late 2006. This settlement included a \$12.8 million recovery to a nationwide class of consumers who alleged they were defrauded in connection with the purchase of Xenadrine® dietary supplement products.

Mr. Bursor was the lead trial lawyer in *In re: Pacific Bell Late Fee Litigation*. After filing the first class action challenging Pac Bell's late fees in April 2010, winning a contested motion to certify a statewide California class in January 2012, and defeating Pac Bell's motion for summary judgment in February 2013, Mr. Bursor obtained final approval of the \$38 million

class settlement. The settlement, which Mr. Bursor negotiated the night before opening statements were scheduled to commence, provides for a \$20 million cash payment to provide refunds to California customers who paid late fees on their Pac Bell wireline telephone accounts, and includes an injunction that will reduce late fee charges by \$18.6 million over 28 months.

L. TIMOTHY FISHER

L. Timothy Fisher has an active practice in consumer class actions and complex business litigation and has also successfully handled a large number of civil appeals.

Mr. Fisher has been actively involved in numerous cases that resulted in multi-million dollar recoveries for consumers and investors. Mr. Fisher has handled cases involving a wide range of issues including nutritional labeling, health care, telecommunications, corporate governance, unfair business practices and consumer fraud. With his partner Scott A. Bursor, Mr. Fisher has tried four class action jury trials, all of which produced successful results. In *Thomas v. Global Vision Products*, Mr. Fisher obtained a jury award of \$50,024,611 — the largest class action award in California in 2009 and the second-largest jury award of any kind.

Mr. Fisher also has significant experience in multidistrict litigation proceedings. Currently, he serves as co-lead counsel in *In re 5-Hour Energy Marketing and Sales Practices Litigation*, MDL No. 2438 and is a member of the executive committee in *In re 100% Grated Parmesan Cheese Marketing and Sales Practices Litigation*, MDL No. 2705.

Mr. Fisher was admitted to the State Bar of California in 1997. He is also a member of the bars of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and the United States District Courts for the Northern, Central, Southern and Eastern Districts of California. Mr. Fisher taught appellate advocacy at John F. Kennedy University School of Law in 2003 and 2004. In 2010, he contributed jury instructions, a verdict form and comments to the consumer protection chapter of Justice Elizabeth A. Baron's California Civil Jury Instruction Companion Handbook (West 2010). In January 2014, Chief Judge Claudia Wilken of the United States District Court for the Northern District of California appointed Mr. Fisher to a four-year term as a member of the Court's Standing Committee on Professional Conduct.

Mr. Fisher received his Juris Doctorate from Boalt Hall at the University of California at Berkeley in 1997. While in law school, he was an active member of the Moot Court Board and participated in moot court competitions throughout the United States. In 1994, Mr. Fisher received an award for Best Oral Argument in the first year moot court competition.

In 1992, Mr. Fisher graduated with highest honors from the University of California at Berkeley and received a degree in political science. Prior to graduation, he authored an honors thesis for Professor Bruce Cain entitled "The Role of Minorities on the Los Angeles City Council." He is also a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

Representative Cases

Thomas v. Global Vision Products, Inc. (Alameda County Superior Court). Mr. Fisher litigated claims against Global Vision Products, Inc. and other individuals in connection with the sale and

marketing of a purported hair loss remedy known as Avacor. The case lasted more than seven years and involved two trials. The first trial resulted in a verdict for plaintiff and the class in the amount of \$40,000,000. The second trial resulted in a jury verdict of \$50,024,611, which led to a \$30 million settlement for the class.

In re Cellphone Termination Fee Cases - Handset Locking Actions (Alameda County Superior Court). Mr. Fisher actively worked on five coordinated cases challenging the secret locking of cell phone handsets by major wireless carriers to prevent consumers from activating them on competitive carriers' systems. Settlements have been approved in all five cases on terms that require the cell phone carriers to disclose their handset locks to consumers and to provide unlocking codes nationwide on reasonable terms and conditions. The settlements fundamentally changed the landscape for cell phone consumers regarding the locking and unlocking of cell phone handsets.

In re Cellphone Termination Fee Cases - Early Termination Fee Cases (Alameda County Superior Court and Federal Communications Commission). In separate cases that are a part of the same coordinated litigation as the Handset Locking Actions, Mr. Fisher actively worked on claims challenging the validity under California law of early termination fees imposed by national cell phone carriers. In one of those cases, against Verizon Wireless, a nationwide settlement was reached after three weeks of trial in the amount of \$21 million. In a second case, which was tried to verdict, the Court held after trial that the \$73 million of flat early termination fees that Sprint had collected from California consumers over an eight-year period were void and unenforceable.

Selected Published Decisions

In re 5-hour Energy Marketing and Sales Practices Litigation, 2017 WL 385042 (C.D. Cal. January 24, 2017) (denying motion for summary judgment in case alleging that 5-hour Energy made false and misleading statements regarding its energy drinks).

Strumlauf v. Starbucks Corp., 2016 WL 3361842 (N.D. Cal. June 17, 2016) (denying motion to dismiss case alleging underfilling of Starbucks lattes).

Melgar v. Zicam LLC, 2016 WL 1267870 (E.D. Cal. Mar. 30, 2016) (certifying 10-jurisdiction class of purchasers of cold remedies, denying motion for summary judgment, and denying motions to exclude plaintiff's expert witnesses).

Salazar v. Honest Tea, Inc., 2015 WL 7017050 (E.D. Cal. Nov. 12. 2015) (denying motion for summary judgment).

Dei Rossi v. Whirlpool Corp., 2015 WL 1932484 (E.D. Cal. Apr. 27, 2015) (certifying California class of purchasers of refrigerators that were mislabeled as Energy Star qualified).

Bayol v. Zipcar, Inc., 78 F.Supp.3d 1252 (N.D. Cal. 2015) (denying motion to dismiss claims alleging unlawful late fees under California Civil Code § 1671).

Forcellati v. Hyland's, Inc., 2015 WL 9685557 (C.D. Cal. Jan. 12, 2015) (denying motion for summary judgment in case alleging false advertising of homeopathic cold and flu remedies for children).

Bayol v. Zipcar, Inc., 2014 WL 4793935 (N.D. Cal. Sept. 25, 2014) (denying motion to transfer venue pursuant to a forum selection clause).

Forcellati v. Hyland's Inc., 2014 WL 1410264 (C.D. Cal. Apr. 9, 2014) (certifying nationwide class of purchasers of homeopathic cold and flu remedies for children).

Hendricks v. StarKist Co., 30 F.Supp.3d 917 (N.D. Cal. 2014) (denying motion to dismiss in case alleging underfilling of 5-ounce cans of tuna).

Dei Rossi v. Whirlpool Corp., 2013 WL 5781673 (E.D. Cal. October 25, 2013) (denying motion to dismiss in case alleging that certain KitchenAid refrigerators were misrepresented as Energy Star qualified).

Forcellati v. Hyland's Inc., 876 F.Supp.2d 1155 (C.D. Cal. 2012) (denying motion to dismiss complaint alleging false advertising regarding homeopathic cold and flu remedies for children).

Podobedov v. Living Essentials, LLC, 2012 WL 2513458 (C.D. Cal. March 22, 2012) (denying motion to dismiss in case alleging false and misleading advertising by 5-hour Energy).

Clerkin v. MyLife.com, 2011 WL 3809912 (N.D. Cal. August 29, 2011) (denying defendants' motion to dismiss in case alleging false and misleading advertising by a social networking company).

In re Cellphone Termination Fee Cases, 186 Cal.App.4th 1380 (2010) (affirming order approving \$21 million class action settlement).

Gatton v. T-Mobile USA, Inc., 152 Cal.App.4th 571 (2007) (affirming order denying motion to compel arbitration).

Selected Class Settlements

In Re NVIDIA GTX 970 Graphics Chip Litigation (Northern District of California) - \$4.5 million class action settlement of claims alleging that a computer graphics card was sold with false and misleading representations concerning its specifications and performance.

Hendricks v. StarKist Co. (Northern District of California) – \$12 million class action settlement of claims alleging that 5-ounce cans of tuna were underfilled.

In re Zakskorn v. American Honda Motor Co. Honda (Eastern District of California) – nationwide settlement providing for brake pad replacement and reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses in case alleging defective brake pads on Honda Civic vehicles manufactured between 2006 and 2011.

Correa v. Sensa Products, LLC (Los Angeles Superior Court) - \$9 million settlement on behalf of purchasers of the Sensa weight loss product.

In re Pacific Bell Late Fee Litigation (Contra Costa County Superior Court) - \$38.6 million settlement on behalf of Pac Bell customers who paid an allegedly unlawful late payment charge.

In re Haier Freezer Consumer Litigation (Northern District of California) - \$4 million settlement, which provided for cash payments of between \$50 and \$325.80 to class members who purchased the Haier HNCM070E chest freezer.

Thomas v. Global Vision Products, Inc. (Alameda County Superior Court) - \$30 million settlement on behalf of a class of purchasers of a hair loss remedy.

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Guyette v. Viacom, Inc. (Alameda County Superior Court) - \$13 million settlement for a class of cable television subscribers who alleged that the defendant had improperly failed to share certain tax refunds with its subscribers.

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Joseph I. Marchese is a Partner with Bursor & Fisher, P.A. Joe focuses his practice on consumer class actions, employment law disputes, and commercial litigation. He has represented corporate and individual clients in a wide array of civil litigation, and has substantial trial and appellate experience.

In 2015, Joe was defense trial counsel for a law firm and several of its partners in a sexual harassment case brought by a former associate of that firm. The plaintiff's complaint sought \$22 million in compensatory and punitive damages. After a 3-week trial in federal court in New York, the jury returned a verdict of not liable for the federal and state law claims. During the trial, the judge also granted defendants' motion for judgment as a matter of law on the plaintiff's claims for retaliation and defamation. The jury found liability solely under New York City's human rights law, awarding only \$140,000 in damages.

Joe also has significant experience in multidistrict litigation proceedings. Currently he serves on the Plaintiffs' Executive Committee in In Re: Blue Buffalo Company, Ltd. Marketing And Sales Practices Litigation, MDL No. 2562.

Joe is admitted to the State Bar of New York and is a member of the bars of the United States District Courts for the Southern District of New York, the Eastern District of New York, and the Eastern District of Michigan, as well as the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

Joe graduated from Boston University School of Law in 2002 where he was a member of The Public Interest Law Journal. In 1998, Joe graduated with honors from Bucknell University.

Selected Published Decisions:

Boelter v. Hearst Communications, Inc., --- F. Supp. 3d ---, 2016 WL 3369541 (S.D.N.Y. June 17, 2016), denying publisher's motion to dismiss its subscriber's allegations of state privacy law violations in putative class action.

In re Scotts EZ Seed Litigation, 304 F.R.D. 397 (S.D.N.Y. 2015), granting class certification of false advertising and other claims brought by New York and California purchasers of grass seed product.

Marchuk v. Faruqi & Faruqi, LLP, et al., 100 F. Supp. 3d 302 (S.D.N.Y. 2015), granting individual and law firm defendants' motion for judgment as a matter of law on plaintiff's claims for retaliation and defamation, as well as for all claims against law firm partners, Nadeem and Lubna Faruqi.

Ebin v. Kangadis Food Inc., 297 F.R.D. 561 (S.D.N.Y. 2014), granting nationwide class certification of false advertising and other claims brought by purchasers of purported "100% Pure Olive Oil" product.

Ebin v. Kangadis Food Inc., 2014 WL 737878 (S.D.N.Y. Feb. 25, 2014), denying distributor's motion for summary judgment against nationwide class of purchasers of purported "100% Pure Olive Oil" product.

In re Michaels Stores Pin Pad Litigation, 830 F. Supp. 2d 518 (N.D. Ill. 2011), denying retailer's motion to dismiss its customers' state law consumer protection and privacy claims in data breach putative class action.

Selected Class Settlements:

In Re: Blue Buffalo Marketing And Sales Practices Litigation, Case No. 14-MD-2562-RWS (E.D. Mo. 2016) – final approval granted for \$32 million class settlement to resolve claims of pet owners for alleged false advertising of pet foods.

Rodriguez v. Citimortgage, Inc., Case No. 11-cv-4718-PGG (S.D.N.Y. 2015) – final approval granted for \$38 million class settlement to resolve claims of military servicemembers for alleged foreclosure violations of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, where each class member was entitled to \$116,785 plus lost equity in the foreclosed property and interest thereon.

O'Brien v. LG Electronics USA, Inc., et al., Case No. 10-cv-3733-DMC (D.N.J. 2011) – final approval granted for \$23 million class settlement to resolve claims of Energy Star refrigerator purchasers for alleged false advertising of the appliances' Energy Star qualification.

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Josh is admitted to the State Bar of New York and is a member of the bars of the United States District Courts for the Southern District of New York and the Eastern District of New York.

Josh previously practiced at Dewey & LeBoeuf LLP and DLA Piper LLP. He graduated from Columbia University School of Law in 2006, where he was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar, and received his B.A. from Cornell University in 2002. Josh has been honored as a 2015 and 2016 Super Lawyer Rising Star.

Selected Published Decisions:

Perez v. Monster Inc., 149 F. Supp. 3d 1176 (N.D. Cal. 2016), denying defendants' motion to dismiss claims that manufacturer and retailer of HDMI cables fraudulently represented the need for high bandwidths.

Morris v. SolarCity Corp., 2016 WL 1359378 (N.D. Cal. Apr. 4, 2016), denying defendant's motion to dismiss claims that solar company illegally called consumers using an artificial or prerecorded voice and an automatic telephone dialing system.

Boelter v. Hearst Commc'ns, Inc., 192 F. Supp. 3d 427 (S.D.N.Y. 2016), denying defendant's motion to dismiss and finding that the Michigan Video Rental Privacy Act does not violate the First Amendment.

Edwards v. Oportun, Inc., 193 F. Supp. 3d 1096 (N.D. Cal. 2016), denying defendant's motion dismiss and rejecting its argument that providing a class representative with a cashier's check for his individual damages mooted his individual and class claims.

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Prior to joining Bursor & Fisher, Joel was a litigator at Crowell & Moring, where he represented Fortune 500 companies, privately-held businesses, and public entities in commercial litigation and nationwide class actions. While at Crowell & Moring, Joel litigated some of the firm's most high-profile matters, including several class actions alleging deceptive sales practices with respect to Apple iPhones and iPads, and a class action seeking to hold U.S. energy companies accountable for global warming.

Joel received both his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of California at Berkeley. While at Berkeley School of Law, he was a member of the California Law Review, received several academic honors, externed for the California Attorney General's office and published an article on climate change policy and litigation.

Joel is admitted to the State Bar of California, as well as the United States Courts of Appeals for the Second, Third and Ninth Circuits, and the Northern, Central, Southern and Eastern Districts of California.

Selected Published Decisions:

In re 5-Hour ENERGY Marketing & Sales Practices Litig., 2017 WL 385042 (C.D. Cal. Jan. 24, 2017), denying motion for partial summary judgment in putative class action against the makers of 5-Hour ENERGY® products.

Mbazomo v. Etourandtravel, Inc., 2016 WL 7165693 (E.D. Cal. Dec. 8, 2016), denying motion to dismiss in putative class action alleging unlawful calls under the Telephone Consumer Protection Act.

Brenner v. Procter & Gamble, Co., 2016 WL 8192946 (C.D. Cal. Oct. 20, 2016), denying motion to dismiss in putative class action alleging false and misleading labeling on Pampers baby wipes.

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In 2015, Neal was defense trial counsel for a law firm and several of its partners in a sexual harassment case brought by a former associate of that firm. The plaintiff's complaint sought \$22 million in compensatory and punitive damages. After a 3-week trial in federal court in New York, the jury returned a verdict of not liable for the federal and state law claims. During the trial, the judge also granted defendants' motion for judgment as a matter of law on the plaintiff's claims for retaliation and defamation. The jury found liability solely under New York City's human rights law, awarding only \$140,000 in damages.

Neal is admitted to the State Bar of New York and is a member of the bars of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York, and the bars of the United States Courts of Appeals for the Second and Ninth Circuits.

Neal received his Juris Doctor from Boston University School of Law in 2011, graduating cum laude with two Dean's Awards. During law school, Neal served as a Senior Articles Editor for the Review of Banking and Financial Law, where he authored two published articles about securitization reforms, both of which were cited by the New York Court of Appeals, the highest court in the state. Neal was also awarded Best Oral Argument in his moot court section, and he served as a Research Assistant for his Securities Regulation professor. Neal has also been honored as a 2014 and 2015 Super Lawyers Rising Star. In 2007, Neal graduated with Honors from Brown University with a dual major in East Asian Studies and Philosophy.

Selected Published Decisions:

Duran v. Obesity Research Institute, LLC, 204 Cal. Rptr. 3d 896 (Cal. Ct. App. 2016), reversing and remanding final approval of a class action settlement on appeal, regarding allegedly mislabeled dietary supplements, in connection with a meritorious objection.

Marchuk v. Faruqi & Faruqi, LLP, et al., 100 F. Supp. 3d 302 (S.D.N.Y. 2015), granting individual and law firm defendants' motion for judgment as a matter of law on plaintiff's claims for retaliation and defamation, as well as for all claims against law firm partners, Nadeem and Lubna Faruqi.

Ebin v. Kangadis Food Inc., 297 F.R.D. 561 (S.D.N.Y. 2014), granting nationwide class certification of false advertising and other claims brought by purchasers of purported "100% Pure Olive Oil" product.

Ebin v. Kangadis Food Inc., 2014 WL 737878 (S.D.N.Y. Feb. 25, 2014), denying distributor's motion for summary judgment against nationwide class of purchasers of purported "100% Pure Olive Oil" product.

Selected Class Settlements:

In Re NVIDIA GTX 970 Graphics Chip Litigation, Case No. 15-cv-00760-PJH (N.D. Cal. Dec. 7, 2016) – final approval granted for \$4.5 million class action settlement to resolve claims that a computer graphics card was allegedly sold with false and misleading representations concerning its specifications and performance.

Hendricks v. StarKist Co., 2016 WL 5462423 (N.D. Cal. Sept. 29, 2016) – final approval granted for \$12 million class action settlement to resolve claims that 5-ounce cans of tuna were allegedly underfilled.

In re: Kangadis Food Inc., Case No. 8-14-72649 (Bankr. E.D.N.Y. Dec. 17, 2014) – class action claims resolved for \$2 million as part of a Chapter 11 plan of reorganization, after a corporate defendant filed for bankruptcy, following claims that its olive oil was allegedly sold with false and misleading representations.

Selected Publications:

Neal Deckant, X. Reforms of Collateralized Debt Obligations: Enforcement, Accounting and Regulatory Proposals, 29 Rev. Banking & Fin. L. 79 (2009) (cited in Quadrant Structured Products Co., Ltd. v. Vertin, 16 N.E.3d 1165, 1169 n.8 (N.Y. 2014)).

Neal Deckant, Criticisms of Collateralized Debt Obligations in the Wake of the Goldman Sachs Scandal, 30 Rev. Banking & Fin. L. 407 (2010) (cited in *Quadrant Structured Products Co., Ltd. v. Vertin*, 16 N.E.3d 1165, 1169 n.8 (N.Y. 2014); *Lyon Village Venetia, LLC v. CSE Mortgage LLC*, 2016 WL 476694, at *1 n.1 (Md. Ct. Spec. App. Feb. 4, 2016); Ivan Ascher, Portfolio Society: On the Capitalist Mode of Prediction, at 141, 153, 175 (Zone Books / The MIT Press 2016)).

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In 2015, Yitz was plaintiffs' counsel in a certified class action in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York in a false advertising action against an olive oil manufacturer. After the Defendant's motion for summary judgment was denied, the parties entered into a multi-million dollar class settlement.

Yitz also provides pro bono representation for refugees in deportation proceedings.

Yitz is admitted to the State Bars of New York and New Jersey, the bar of the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit, and the bars of the United States District Courts for the Southern District of New York, Eastern District of New York, Eastern District of Missouri, and District of New Jersey.

Yitz received his Juris Doctorate from Brooklyn Law School in 2012, graduating cum laude with two Dean's Awards. During law school, Yitz served as an Articles Editor for the Brooklyn Law Review and worked as a Law Clerk at Shearman & Sterling. In 2009, Yitz graduated cum laude from Queens College with a B.A. in Accounting.

Selected Published Decisions:

Ward v. TheLadders.com, Inc., 3 F. Supp. 3d 151 (S.D.N.Y. 2014), denying online job board's motion to dismiss its subscribers' allegations of consumer protection law violations in putative class action.

Brady v. Basic Research, L.L.C., 101 F. Supp. 3d 217 (E.D.N.Y. 2015), denying diet pill manufacturers' motion to dismiss its purchasers' allegations for breach of express warranty in putative class action.

In re Scotts EZ Seed Litigation, 304 F.R.D. 397 (S.D.N.Y. 2015), granting class certification of false advertising and other claims brought by New York and California purchasers of grass seed product.

Marchuk v. Faruqi & Faruqi, LLP, et al., 100 F. Supp. 3d 302 (S.D.N.Y. 2015), granting individual and law firm defendants' motion for judgment as a matter of law on plaintiff's claims for retaliation and defamation, as well as for all claims against law firm partners, Nadeem and Lubna Faruqi.

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Ebin v. Kangadis Food Inc., 2014 WL 737878 (S.D.N.Y. Feb. 25, 2014), denying distributor's motion for summary judgment against nationwide class of purchasers of purported "100% Pure Olive Oil" product.

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Frederick J. Klorczyk III is an Associate with Bursor & Fisher, P.A. Fred focuses his practice on complex business litigation, consumer class actions, and employment law disputes.

In 2014, Fred served on the litigation team in Ebin v. Kangadis Food Inc. At class certification, Judge Rakoff adopted Fred's choice of law fraud analysis and research directly into his published decision certifying a nationwide fraud class. Fred was also an instrumental member of the litigation team led that challenged this defendant's Chapter 11 filing as a sham. After contesting plan confirmation in the bankruptcy court, the class action claims were resolved for \$2 million as part of a Chapter 11 plan of reorganization.

Fred is admitted to the State Bars of New York and New Jersey, the bars of the United States District Courts for the Southern District of New York, Eastern District of New York, and District of New Jersey, and the bar of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

Fred received his Juris Doctor from Brooklyn Law School in 2013, graduating magna cum laude with two CALI Awards for the highest grade in his classes on criminal law and conflict of laws. During law school, Fred served as an Associate Managing Editor for the Brooklyn Journal of Corporate, Financial and Commercial Law and as an intern to the Honorable Alison J. Nathan of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York and the Honorable Janet Bond Arterton of the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut. In 2010, Fred graduated from the University of Connecticut with a B.S. in Finance.

Selected Published Decisions:

Porter v. NBTY, Inc., 2016 WL 6948379 (N.D. Ill. Nov. 28, 2016), denying supplement manufacturer's motion to dismiss consumers' allegations of false advertising relating to whey protein content.

Weisblum v. Prophase Labs, Inc., 88 F. Supp. 3d. 282 (S.D.N.Y. 2015), denying supplement manufacturer's motion to dismiss consumers' allegations of false advertising relating to a homeopathic cold product.

In re Scotts EZ Seed Litigation, 304 F.R.D. 397 (S.D.N.Y. 2015), granting class certification of false advertising and other claims brought by New York and California purchasers of grass seed product.

Marchuk v. Faruqi & Faruqi, LLP, et al., 100 F. Supp. 3d 302 (S.D.N.Y. 2015), granting individual and law firm defendants' motion for judgment as a matter of law on plaintiff's claims for retaliation and defamation, as well as for all claims against law firm partners, Nadeem and Lubna Faruqi.

Ebin v. Kangadis Food Inc., Case No. 13-4775 (2d Cir. Apr. 15, 2015), denying olive oil manufacturer's Rule 23(f) appeal following grant of nationwide class certification.

Ebin v. Kangadis Food Inc., 297 F.R.D. 561 (S.D.N.Y. 2014), granting nationwide class certification of false advertising and other claims brought by purchasers of purported "100% Pure Olive Oil" product.

Ebin v. Kangadis Food Inc., 2014 WL 737878 (S.D.N.Y. Feb. 25, 2014), denying distributor's motion for summary judgment against nationwide class of purchasers of purported "100% Pure Olive Oil" product.

Selected Class Settlements:

In Re: Blue Buffalo Marketing And Sales Practices Litigation, Case No. 14-MD-2562-RWS (E.D. Mo. 2016), granting final approval of \$32 million class settlement to resolve claims of pet owners for alleged false advertising of pet foods.

In re: Kangadis Food Inc., Case No. 8-14-72649 (Bankr. E.D.N.Y. Dec. 17, 2014), resolving class action claims for \$2 million as part of a Chapter 11 plan of reorganization, after a corporate defendant filed for bankruptcy following the certification of nationwide claims alleging that its olive oil was sold with false and misleading representations.

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Yeremey is admitted to the State Bar of California. He is also a member of the bars of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit and the United States District Courts for the Northern, Central, Southern, and Eastern Districts of California.

Yeremey graduated from New York University School of Law in 2013, where he was a Samuel A. Herzog Scholar. Prior to Bursor & Fisher, P.A., Yeremey worked as a Law Clerk at Vladeck, Waldman, Elias & Engelhard, P.C, focusing on employment discrimination and wage and hour disputes. In law school, he has also interned at the American Civil Liberties Union and the United States Department of Justice. In 2010, Yeremey graduated *cum laude* from Vanderbilt University.

Selected Published Decisions:

Bayol v. Zipcar, Inc., 2014 WL 4793935 (N.D. Cal. Sept. 25, 2014), denying enforcement of forum selection clause based on public policy grounds.

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